

August 5, 1940.

TO:-

The Chairman and Members of the
Amlwch Urban District Council.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you an interim report, as directed by Circular 2067 (Wales) upon the essential and urgent matters which have affected the public health during the year 1939.

Area.	4062 acres.
Population.	2525
Number of inhabited houses.	944
Rateable Value.	£9483 : 0 : 0
Sum produced by a penny rate.	£ 36 : 0 : 0

SOCIAL CONDITIONS:-

After the outbreak of War, the number of unemployed persons was greatly reduced, a large number of seafaring men obtained work.

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS OF THE YEAR:-

<u>Live births.</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate.	13	24	37
Illegitimate.	2	1	3

The live birth rate was equal to 15.8 per 1000 of the population, and lower than last years rate of 18.2.

DEATHS:-

The number of deaths during the year was 46, which equals a rate of 18.2 per 1000 of the population.

Number of persons dying in or in consequence of child birth:-

From Sepsis. None

From other causes. None

Deaths of infants under one year of age - 3. which equals a rate of 75.0 per 1000 live births.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1939:

Maternity and Child Welfare under Section 101 of the above Act, a Scheme prepared by the Anglesey County Council and approved by the Ministry of Health is likely to be extended. This provides for the payment by the Council of annual contributions towards the expenses of the Voluntary Associations in providing Maternity and Child Welfare Services in and for the benefit of the whole County. At present anti-natal Clinics are held once a month at Holyhead and Llangefni. It is proposed to have additional centres at Amlwch and Beaumaris.

The District is well supplied with nurses.

INFANT WELFARE CENTRE:-

This Centre has done very useful work, and retains its popularity.

WATER SUPPLY AND HOUSING:-

The proposed Schemes have been postponed until the end of the war.

MATTERS CONNECTED WITH THE WAR:-

Several official evacuees were drafted to the district during the latter part of the year, mostly mothers and young children. They remained only for a short period, and gradually drifted to their original homes.

The Sanitary Authority were then concerned with the water supply of the district, and also with the possibility of an outbreak of infectious or contagious diseases.



Since the commencement of the war I had on several occasions to condemn meat and bacon as unfit for human consumption. There seems to be a general uneasiness about the transport of carcasses from the abbatoir to the district, and I believe the Clerk of the Council has been in communication with the Headquarters on the subject. There are several unofficial evacuees in the district.

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES:-

Scarlet Fever - 1. Removed to the Isolation Hospital.

Diphtheria. - 2. One removed to the Hospital, the other treated at home, as the Hospital was full.

Anti-diphtheritic serum was used in each case, and both made good recovery.

The Scheme for Diphtheria immunisation was carried out by the Education Authority in all the Elementary schools, and also by the County Council at the Infant Welfare Centre.

Influenza Pneumonia;

Nine were notified of which three proved fatal.

Puerperal Pyrexia:

One, treated at home with satisfactory result.

Erysipelas:

One, also treated at home.

Measles:

48 children were notified. The epidemic appeared in November and continued in various parts of the district for the first five months of the present year. All the cases were treated at their homes, and without a single exception made a good recovery. Measles was prevalent all over the County.

Tuberculosis:

Two persons were notified to be suffering from Pulmonary Tuberculosis and were admitted to Hospital. One of the two came home from London.

The number on the register at the end of the year was as follows:-

Pulmonary	Males 4	Females 6
Non-pulmonary	Males 0	Females 0

I am not appending the report of the Sanitary Inspector on this occasion.

I desire to express my thanks to the Chairman, Members of the Council, the Clerk, and also the Sanitary Inspector for their general support extended to me during the year.

I am,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

THOMAS JONES.

Medical Officer.

